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A SLICE OF PIZZA-TYPE PIE  
AND AN APPARATUS FOR  
PREPARING A PIZZA-TYPE  
PIE**

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Dear Sir or Madam:

This paper is being submitted in response to a final office action issued by the Examiner on July 2, 2004. This paper is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination and a request for a two (2) month extension of time. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the pending claims in view of the arguments presented herein and the submissions filed herewith.